

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 3 and 4 were pending in the Application. Claims 2 and 5 were previously canceled. By this amendment, Claims 3 and 4 are being canceled. Claim 1 has been allowed.

Claims 3 and 4 were rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over White et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,042,238), in view of Hostetler et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 4,869,054).

II. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claim 1 has been allowed. Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 3 and 4 be cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. As such, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections against the Application and for allowance of Claim 1.

III. CONCLUSION

The above-discussed amendments and remarks are believed to place the present Application in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the above amendments, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicant's representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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